

REMARKS

I. STATUS OF CLAIMS

Claims 1, 10, 11 and 19 are amended herein. No new matter has been added. Support for the amendments would be found in, for example, FIG. 3, and page 16, paragraph [0035] of the specification of the present application.

Claims 1-19 are rejected.

In view of the above, it is respectfully submitted that claims 1-19 are currently pending in this application.

II. REJECTION OF CLAIMS 1-5, 9-15 AND 18 UNDER 35 U.S.C § 102(b) AS BEING ANTICIPATED BY NOLTING ET AL (U.S. PATENT 6,351,453)

Claim 1 as amended specifically recites, amongst other novel features, "**eliminating duplicate entries** of exclusive phone calls; and **generating a list of the exclusive phone calls** from the identified phone numbers after eliminating the duplicate entries". (Emphasis added). Somewhat similar amendments are made to claims 10, 11 and 19. Nolting fails to disclose, teach or suggest these features.

Instead, Nolting discloses compiling and analyzing call traffic data, to recognize patterns of calls to certain types of users, and which involves searching for patterns of calls to a certain, limited number of destination telephone numbers and identifying the numbers based upon recognition of the appropriate calling pattern. See, for example, column 8, lines 17-22. Further, in Nolting, a finder routine executes a series of steps to filter the information based on call statistics relative to the users' telephone numbers. This filtering progressively narrows down the set of numbers under consideration until a collection or subset of numbers is developed, where all the numbers collected in the remaining subset exhibit traffic statistics satisfying all of the filter criteria. See, for example, column 8, lines 54-60 of Nolting. Further, a call detail 5 for each call includes a wide variety of different items of information about the call, including for example calling and called party numbers, the time of the call, the duration of the call if completed, the type of release if terminated without completion, identification of office(s) serving the call, etc. See, for example, column 9, lines 56-64 of Nolting.

However, it is respectfully submitted that Nolting fails to disclose, teach or suggest "eliminating duplicate entries of exclusive phone calls; and generating a list of the exclusive phone calls from the identified phone numbers after eliminating the duplicate entries", as specifically recited by Applicant in, for example, claim 1. Instead, Nolting merely teaches compiling and analyzing call traffic data. However, the feature of a eliminating duplicate entries

of exclusive phone calls and generating a list of the exclusive phone calls from the identified phone numbers after eliminating the duplicate entries is absent in Nolting. Further understanding and appreciation for Applicant's claimed invention as recited in claim 1 would be found in, for example, FIG. 3, and page 16, paragraph [0035] of the specification of the present application.

In view of the above, it is respectfully submitted that the rejection is overcome.

Although the above comments are specifically directed to claim 1, it is respectfully submitted that the comments would be helpful in understanding differences in claims 2-5, 9-15 and 18 over Nolting.

III. REJECTION OF CLAIMS 6-8, 16, 17 AND 19 UNDER 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) AS BEING UNPATENTABLE OVER NOLTING (U.S. PATENT 6,351,453)

The above comments for distinguishing over Nolting also apply here, where appropriate.

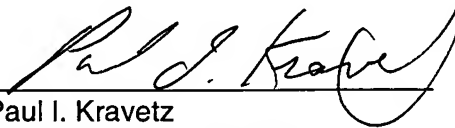
In view of the above, it is respectfully submitted that the rejection is overcome.

IV. CONCLUSION

There being no further outstanding objections or rejections, it is submitted that the application is in condition for allowance. An early action to that effect is courteously solicited.

Respectfully submitted,

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